

[23 February, 2001] **RAJYA SABHA**

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed with the Karnataka Government for taking up the balance work through a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) to be set up jointly by the Railways and Karnataka Government. The modalities for setting up this SPV are being sorted out by the Karnataka Government.

Gauge Conversion Works

332. PROF. M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total length of meter gauge converted into broad gauge in different States, Zone-wise/State-wise and the progress of conversion works;

(b) by when these are likely to be completed and the effective measures being taken by Government in this regard;

(c) whether the Budget allocation has been increased to carry out conversion works; and

(d) if so, the details of financial allocations made during the last three years, till date?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH): (a) and (b) Out of the 14657 kms of NG/MG lines identified for conversion into BG in the first phase of the Action Plan, 9755 kms have been converted. A Statement indicating the sections converted into BG so far is attached (See below) Work is in progress on 4900 kms which would be completed in the coming years as per availability of resources Progress of the Works is being monitored at the highest level. Funds and materials are being provided to expedite the work.

(c) This will be known when the Railway Budget is presented in Parliament.

(d) The allocation made for gauge conversion during last three years are as under:—

1998-99	Rs. 803 crs
1999-2000	Rs. 735 crs.
2000-01	Rs. 623 crs.

Statement

Gauge conversions completed in the 8th Plan

92-93 COMPLETED SECTION	KMS ZONE	STATE
1	2 3	4
Delhi-Rewari	83 NR	Haryana
Lalgarh-Merta Rd	177 NR	Rajasthan
Lalgarh-Kolayat	47 NR	Rajasthan
Sawaimadhopur-Jaipur	125 WR	Rajasthan
Nadiad-Kapadvanj	45 WR	Gujarat
Bangalore-Tumkur	59 SR	Karnataka
Mysore-Bangalore	133 SR	Karnataka
Dindigul-Tuticorin	196 SR	Tamil Nadu
Bangalore-Yellahanka	12 SR	Karnataka
Guntur-Narsaraopet	46 SCR	AP
Bellary-Rayadurg	54 SCR	AP
Aurangabad-Jalna	64 SCR	Maharashtra
Parbhani-Parlivaijnath	63 SCR	Maharashtra
Burhwal-Mehmoodabad	38 NER	UP
Kotkapura-Fazilka	80 NR	Punjab
Lucknow-Kanpur	59 NR	UP
Mankapur-Katra	30 NER	UP
Purulia-Kotshila	35 SER	WB
1993-94	1351	
Bhatinda-Hissar	157 NR	Haryana
Jaipur-Phulera	55 WR	Rajasthan
Phulera-Jodhpur	261 NR	Rajasthan
Tumkur-Arasikere	101 SR	Karnataka
Arasikere-Chickajur	114 SR	Karnataka
Narsaraopet-Donakonda	75 SCR	AP
Secunderabad-Mehboobnagar	127 SCR	AP

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Madras-Tambaram	27	SR	Tamil Nadu
Chickjajur-Chitradurg	16	SR	Karnataka
Jalna-Parbhani	116	SCR	Maharashtra
Gondia-Arjuni	82	SER	Maharashtra
Secunderabad-Bolarum	14	SCR	Andhra Pradesh
Allahabad-Varanasi	126	NER	Uttar Pradesh
Guwahati-Lumding	181	NFR	Assam
Mehmoodabad-Sitapur	60	NER	Uttar Pradesh
Merta Rd-Merta City	15	NR	Rajasthan
Daund-Baramati	42	CR	Maharashtra
Lalkuan-Kathgodam	29	NER	Uttar Pradesh
Patel Nagar-Sarai	3	NR	Delhi
Durgapur-Jaipur	8	WR	Rajasthan
Mysore-Ashok Puram	5	SR	Karnataka
Lucknow-Manaknagar	5	NER	Uttar Pradesh
1994-95	1619		
Hissar-Rewari	143	NR	Haryana
Phulera-Ajmer	81	WR	Rajasthan
Rewari-Jaipur	225	WR	Rajasthan
Mehsana-Khodiyar	52	WR	Gujarat
Delhi Cantt-DL/NDLS	14	NR	Delhi
Jodhpur-Jaisalmer	295	NR	Rajasthan
Chickjajur-Harihar	60	SR	Karnataka
Harihar-Hubli	129	SR	Karnataka
Hubli-Londa	93	SCR	Karnataka
Londa-Miraj	188	SCR	Karnataka
Birur-Shimoga	63	SR	Karnataka
Hubli-Gadag-Hariapur	78	SCR	Karnataka
Alnavar-Amedwadi	26	SCR	Karnataka
Donakonda-Giddalur	83	SCR	Andhra Pradesh
Chickjajur-Chitradurg	18	SR	Karnataka
Parbhani-Puma	29	SCR	Maharashtra
Puma-Nanded	32	SCR	Maharashtra
Arjuni-Wadsa	23	SER	Maharashtra
Muzaffarpur-Raxaul	129	NER	Bihar
Lumding-Nailalung	22	NFR	Assam
Chapermukh-Haribargaon	21	NFR	Assam
TOTAL	1805		

Toal in 8th plan: = 6897 kms

95-96 COMPLETED SECTION	KMS ZONE	STATE
Hariapur-Hospet	67 SCR	Karnataka
Hospet-Swamahalli	60 SCR	Karnataka
Londa-Castlerock	25 SCR	Karnataka
Mudkhed-Nanded	23 SCR	Andhra Pradesh
Nailalung-Dimapur	38 NFR	Assam
Yellahanka-Chickballapur	46 SR	Karnataka
Makrana-Parbatsar	21 WR	Rajasthan
Samastipur-Darbhangha	37 NER	Bihar
Giddalur-Nandyal	69 SCR	Andhra Pradesh
Gunda Rd-Kottur	50 SCR	Karnataka
Aunrihar-Chhapra	171 NER	Uttar Pradesh
Yeshwantpur-Salem	46 SR	Karnataka/Tamilnadu
Chhindwara-Parasia	28 CR	Madhya Pradesh
Dimapur-Furkating	70 NFR	Assam
Guwahati-Kamakhya	7 NFR	Assam
Wadsa-Nagbir	28 SER	Maharashtra
Arasikere-Hassan	47 SR	Karnataka
Hossur-Salem	151 SR	Tamilnadu
Mau-Shahganj	99 NER	Uttar Pradesh
Hassan-Holenarsipur	30 SR	Karnataka
Mehsana-Marwar-Ajmer	423 WR	Rajasthan
Sagauli-Narkatiaganj	59 NER	Bihar
Castle Rock-Vasco	87 SCR	Goa
Guntaka-Nandyal	136 SCR	Andhra Pradesh
Tinsukia-Lekhapani	63 NFR	Assam
Furkating-Tinsukia	193 NFR	Assam
Tinsukia-Dibrugarh	48 NFR	Assam
TOTAL :	1364	
Hassan-Sakleshpur	42 SR	Karnataka
Mysore-Holenarsipur	87 SR	Karnataka
Bachwara-Hajipur	71 NE	Bihar
Kolar-Bangarpet NG	18 SR	Karnataka
Trichy-Thanjavur	50 SR	Tamilnadu

92-93 COMPLETED SECTION	KMS ZONE	STATE
Jodhpur-Marwar	103 NR	Rajasthan
Nagbir-Chandafort NG	111 SER	Maharashtra
Hotgi-Bijapur	97 SCR	Karnataka & Maharashtra
Jorhat-Furkating loop	67 NFR	Assam
Shimalguri-Shivsagar	16 NFR	Assam
Dronachellam-Mehboobnagar	185 SCR	Andhra Pradesh
TOTAL :	847	
98-99		
Tambaram-Trichy	309 SR	Tamilnadu
Dindigul-Trichy	89 SR	Tamilnadu
Jorhat-Mariani	17 NFR	Assam
Sheosagar-Moranhat	38 NFR	Assam
Narkatiaganj-Gorakhpur	159 NE	UP/Bihar
Babupeth-Ballarshah	11 SCR	Maharashtra
Sholapur-Hotgi	52 NE	Uttar Pradesh
TOTAL :	690	
1999-2000		
YESHWANTPUR-BAJYYA-PANHALLI	17 SR	KARNATAKA
ARAKKONAM-CHENGLEPETTU	63 SR	TAMILNADU
MORBI-MALIYA-MIYANA AND DAHISARA TO NAULAKHI	68 WR	GUJARAT
KASHIPUR-LALKUAN	60 NE	UP
KURDUWADI-PANDHARPUR	52 CR	MAHARASHTRA
TOTAL :	260	
2000-2001		
Gandhidham-Bhuj	58 WR	Gujarat